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No 1

Fort Adams 17th May
1800 —

Dear Sir

I have your two Letters of the 3rd & 8th Inst & note the Contents. —

If no better accommodation presents, I wish you if possible to Charter the Julian, if she can be got at such price as will enable me by taking a partial Load, to reimburse myself within 4.5. or 6. or 700 Dollars — but no passenger is to be permitted on Board the Vessel Engaged for me, but of my Election, — If a good, & a Large, & better Vessel for accommodation can be had you may proceed to Charter or Engage Vessel so as not to subject me to a loss of more than 800 or 1000 $. but as much less as possible, — our Household will consist of twelve or fifteen, & I shall claim the privilege of naming ying round my Board-Round I so de-termine, but this point is as yet undetermined — You may enter into general stipulations and I will close the contract in form — mark well that I am to have the control of the Cabbin, and the direction of my Table, & of the Cook which I shall carry with me — the Capt & his Mate, will Dine Breakfast &c. with me free of cost, but for this some small reduction must be made in the price — I shall leave this Place on the 22nd & will allow myself to the 28th to get down, and I wish not to remain in or near N. Orleans longer than five Days, which will bring about the 2nd or 3d of June — but to secure a better Vessel, & better accommodations to N York, I shall be content to wait untill the 20th of the next Month but no longer — I shall

want

Stowage for about fifteen trunks, besides our stores & provisions — If we sail in the Julian she is to carry nothing on Deck, indeed I wish you to make this stipulation in any case and submitting much to your discretion & to the advice of my friend Mr Clark, whom please to consult — I will only observe, that I had much rather Charter a vessel Cabin &c. &c. because I can then load her to my mind — with regard I am

Dear Sir

Yours

Lawrence Kearny

Capt. White
Lucian

Lt. Semple will
be bound to go to
the Atlantic — could
a roving vessel be
Engaged, they might
go with me, otherwise
they cannot

Capt. Bissell
2nd Regt. N. S.
attn. Chalmette
New Orleans